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SUBJECT: 64TH ECOSOC--DECADE FOR ACTION TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, AGENDA ITEM 3

1. THE COUNCIL BEGAN CONSIDERATION 4/19 OF ITEM 3, DECADE FOR ACTION TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION. ALL STATEMENTS DELIVERED THE FIRST DAY WERE NOTICEABLY LOWKEY AND NO MENTION WAS MADE OF ZIONISM OR RESOLUTION 3379. WE HAVE NOT, HOWEVER, HEARD FROM THE MORE RADICAL ARAB DELEGATIONS YET. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THE IMPORTANT ISSUES RELATING TO PREPARATION OF THE AUGUST 1978 WORLD CONFERENCE HAVE ALREADY BEEN DEBATED AND SETTLED PRIOR TO THIS SESSION, WE EXPECT THAT THE CONSIDERATION OF THIS ITEM WILL BE COMPLETED WITHOUT THE INTRODUCTION OF ANY NEW CONTENTIOUS ISSUES.

2. SPEAKERS INCLUDED THE USSR, DENMARK (ON BEHALF OF THE EC-9), VENEZUELA, FINLAND, YUGOSLAVIA, BYELORUSSIA SSR, EGYPT, AND THE PHILIPPINES. THE USSR MADE ITS USUAL HARANGUE ABOUT FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA
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AND WENT ON AT LENGTH RECITING STATISTICS ABOUT US INVESTMENT IN PARTICULAR. THE USSR ALSO DENOUNCED NEOCOLONIALIST ATTEMPTS TO IMPOSE A SETTLEMENT ON NAMIBIA. CONTRARY TO STATEMENTS IN PAST SESSIONS BY THE USSR, WHICH DWELT IN DETAIL ON ZIONISM AND RESOLUTION 3379, THE USSR STATEMENT MADE NO MENTION OF THE ISSUE. THE DELEGATES OF YUGOSLAVIA AND BYELORUSSIA ALSO AVOIDED

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MENTION OF RESOLUTION 3379. ALL THREE EASTERN EUROPEAN SPEAKERS STATED THAT THE CONFERENCE SHOULD ELABORATE AND FORMULATE PRACTICAL MEASURES TO SECURE IMPLEMENTATION OF UN DECISIONS AND IN PARTICULAR MEASURES FOR ISOLATION OF RACIST REGIMES.

3. DENMARK, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE EC-9, STATED THAT THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE NINE EXPECT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONFERENCE. THEY ALSO EXPECT THAT THE SCOPE OF THE CONFERENCE WILL BE KEPT WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF RESOLUTION 3057 AND THE ATTITUDE OF THE COSPONSORS OF THE DECADE RESOLUTIONS AT LAST YEAR'S ECOSOC AND AT THE GA MAKE THEM CONFIDENT THAT THIS WILL BE THE CASE. YOUNG

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